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"La Rixe," by J. L. Ernest Meissonier, born at Lyons on February 21st, 1815, died at Paris, 1891. This picture was presented to Prince Consort by Napoleon III. in 1885, and is at present the property of H.M. The King. A story connected with this picture is that Meissonier's colleagues chaffed him upon the want of life in his pictures, whereupon Meissonier painted "La Rixe." He arranged the central figure and told him to struggle to free himself, held by two powerful men, and it is said that the model acted his part so well that he subsequently died from his exertions.

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